9th Is Margaret Lohns Ray one of the mortgagees mentioned in the mortgage deed marked Exhibit L B W No. 1 living and if dead at time she died,

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Interrogatories of S L Lee to R Welch & Ben.

1st Are you or not acquainted with the parties to this suit or any of them if yea state which of them?

2d Are you or not acquainted with the hand writing of Margaret L Ray or have you ever seen her write if yea look at the papers now shown you filed and marked Exhibits S L L No. 1. S L L 5 and S L L No. 7 and state if any of the said papers are signed by the genuine signature of the said Margaret L Ray.

3d State if you if you know in whose hand writing is the body of this paper marked Exhibit S L L No. 1. and by whose instance it was written.

4th Are you or not acquainted with the hand writing of Elizabeth Ann Lee or have you ever seen her write if yea look at the said paper now shown you marked Exhibit S L L No. 1 and State whether or not the signature thereto Elizabeth Ann Lee is the genuine signature of the said Elizabeth Ann Lee.

A Randall for Lee

5th Are you or not acquainted with the hand writing of Stephen L Lee or have you ever seen him write if yea look at the paper filed marked Exhibit S L L No. 4 and State in whose hand writing said paper is and by whom it is signed.

A Randall for Lee

Filed with the Commr 18 July 1849. J Pinkney Commr

John B Welham Admr of John Welham vs Stephen L Lee and others } In Chancery

By virtue of the annexed Commission issued out of the High Court of Chancery directed to Jonathan Pinkney and Francis H Stockett empowering them to examine evidences for the Complainant in the above cause the subscribers Commissioners therein named having met on Tuesday the 26th day June 1849 at the office of J Pinkney in the City of Annapolis the following testimony was taken.

Vachel A Elliott a witness of lawful age produced on the part of Complainants and being duly sworn answers as follows.—

To the 1st Interrogatory Exhibit L B W No. 1 being shown witness, He answers he is acquainted with the hand writing of said Stephen L Lee the signature Stephen L Lee to said exhibit is the genuine signature of said Lee.

To the 2d Interrogatory Exhibit L B W No. 2 being shown witness He answers, the signature Stephen L Lee to said exhibit is the genuine signature of said Lee.

To the 3d Interrogatory He answers yes.

To the 4th Interrogatory answers said Elizabeth Ann Lee was married to deponent since the date of said mortgage.

To the 5th Interrogatory He answers Yes.

To the 6th Interrogatory answers The signature Elijah Yealdhall to said paper is the genuine signature of said Yealdhall.

To the 7th Interrogatory He answers yes.

To the 8th Interrogatory answers said Welhelm is dead and died in February 1848

To the 9th Interrogatory answers said Margaret L Ray is dead and died in 1845 or 1846

No further testimony being offered the Commission was closed.

In Testimony whereof we hereto set our hands and seals this 26th day of June 1849.

J Pinkney Comr (Seal)
F H Stockett Com' (Seal)

Wednesday 18th January 1849. The Commission was opened by agreement, Robert Welch of Ben a witness of lawful age produced on the part of defendant Stephen L Lee and being duly sworn answers as follows.—

To the 1st Interrogatory answers He knows all the parties except the Complainant,

To the 2d Interrogatory Exhibits S L L Nos. 1. 5 & 7 being shewn him he answers He is well acquainted with the hand writing of said Margret L Ray, the signature Margard L Ray to said exhibits are the genuine signatures of said Margaret L Ray.

To the 3d Interrogatory answers Exhibit S L L No. 1 is in the hand writing of deponent and was executed by the parties at the suggestion of deponent.

To the 4th Interrogatory answers He is acquainted with the hand writing of said Elizabeth Ann Lee the signature Elizabeth Ann Lee to Exhibit S L L No. 1 is her genuine signature.

To the 5th Interrogatory answers He is well acquainted with the hand writing of Stephen L Lee the signature to said Exhibit is the genuine signature of said Lee.

J Pinkney Comr (Seal)
F H Stockett Comr (Seal)

Complainants Exhibit L B W No. 1

Filed with the Commr 26th June 1849. J Pinkney
F H Stockett.

This Indenture made this thirtieth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty three between Stephen L Lee of Anne Arundel County and State of Maryland of the one part and Margaret Johns Ray and Elizabeth Ann Lee of the other part, whereas the said Stephen L Lee is largely indebted to the said Margaret Johns Ray and Elizabeth Ann Lee for and on account legacies due to them by virtue of the last will and Testament of Stephen Lee deceased and whereas I have from time to time obtained advances in money from the said Margaret Johns Ray and the said Elizabeth Ann Lee and whereas I have purchased from my said sisters Margaret Johns Ray and Elizabeth Ann Lee sundry property amounting to two thousand eight hundred and forty six dollars and eight cents current together with their legacies and other claims against me to